EHAN. DO YOU REMEMBER THIS MONKEY?
CLICK
THAT'S-
EEKK!

RIGHT. IT'S THE TEST MONKEY I TOOK FROM YOUR LAB.
IN A SENSE, YOU'RE... LIKE THIS MONKEY.

IMPULSE

WRITTEN/ILLUSTRATED BY
MINYONG CHUNG

TRANSLATED BY
KYUNGHWA LEE

THIS MONKEY

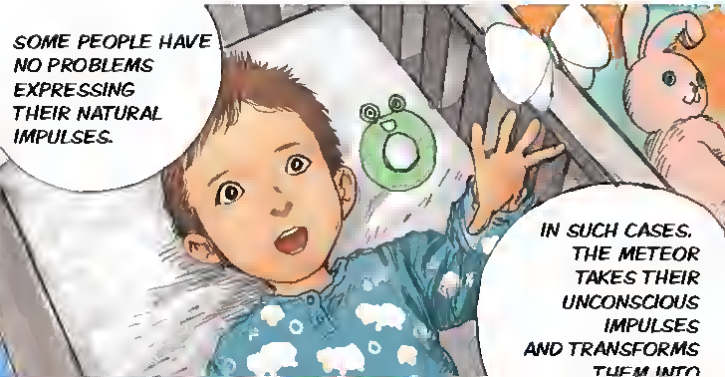
AND I...
ARE ALIKE?

WAS I SUBJECTED TO AN EXPERIMENT WITHOUT MY KNOWLEDGE?

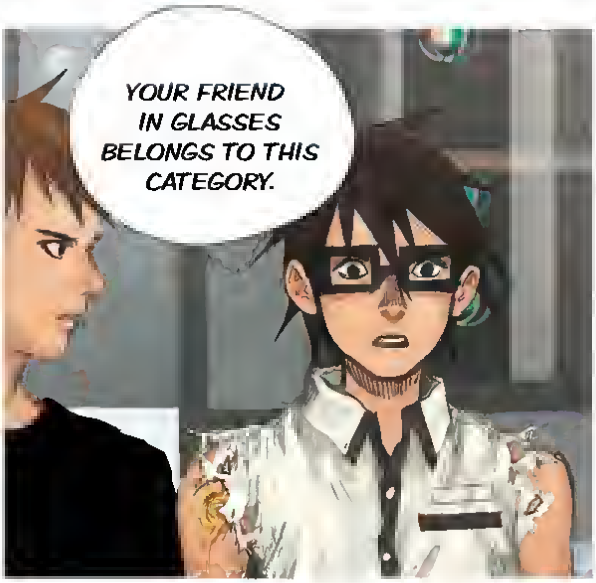
DON'T WORRY. NOTHING LIKE THAT HAPPENED
YOU'RE SMARTER AND STRONGER THAN MOST KIDS YOUR AGE

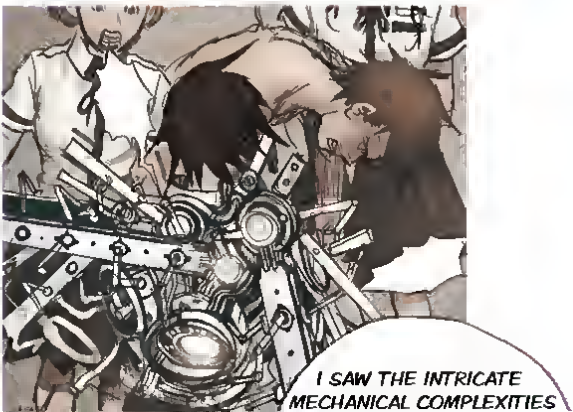
EHAN AND THE MONKEY

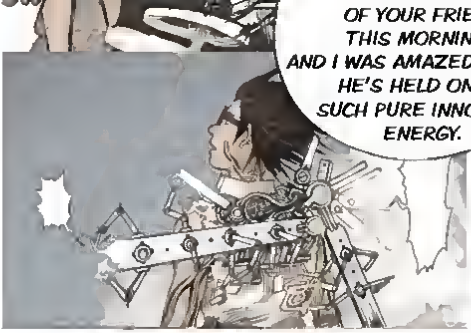
BELONG TO THE SAME CATEGORY BECAUSE THEIR BODIES REACTED TO THE METEOR IN A SIMILAR WAY.
BECAUSE THE HUMAN PSYCHE IS SO COMPLEX. THE METEORITE CAN MANIFEST IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS.

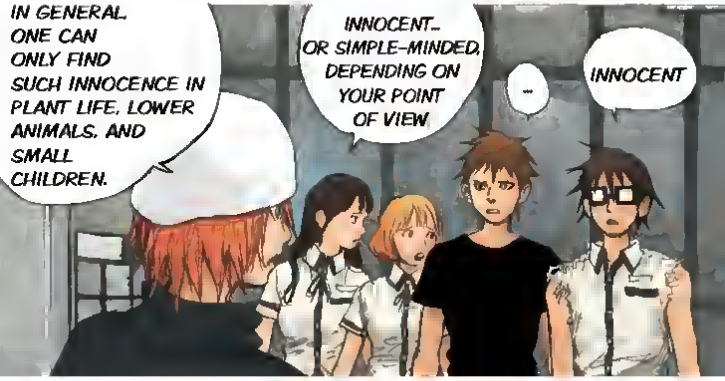

SOME PEOPLE HAVE NO PROBLEMS EXPRESSING THEIR NATURAL IMPULSES.
IN SUCH CASES, THE METEOR TAKES THEIR UNCONSCIOUS IMPULSES AND TRANSFORMS

PHYSICAL REALITY.





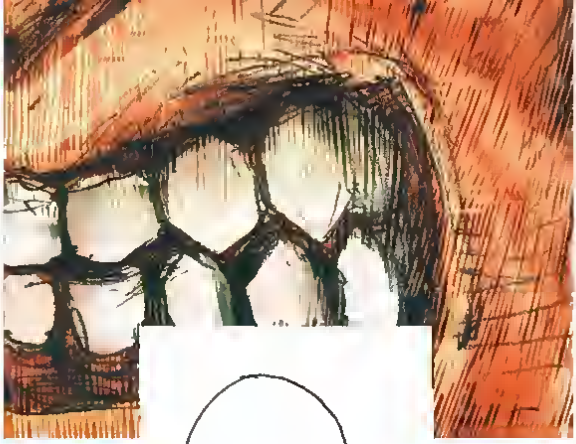

OF YOUR FRIEND
THIS MORNING,
AND I WAS AMAZED AT HOW
HE'S HELD ON TO
SUCH PURE INNOCENT
ENERGY.

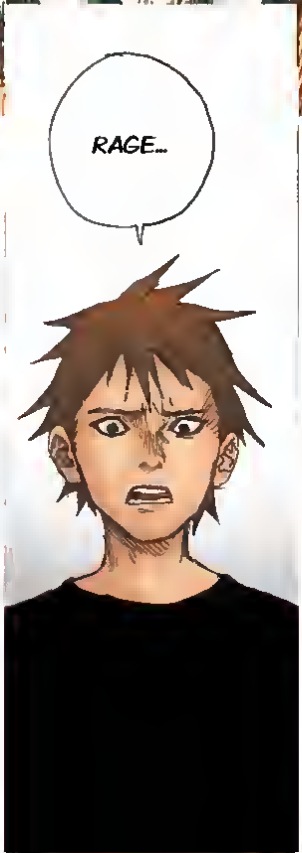

IN GENERAL,
ONE CAN
ONLY FIND
SUCH INNOCENCE IN
PLANT LIFE, LOWER
ANIMALS, AND
SMALL
CHILDREN.
INNOCENT...
OR SIMPLE-MINDED,
DEPENDING ON
YOUR POINT
OF VIEW
...
INNOCENT

MOST
PEOPLE IN GENERAL,
HOWEVER,

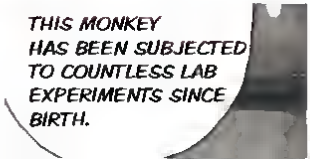
SUCH INNOCENCE.
THERE ARE THOSE WHO'VE BEEN SUBJECTED TO PROLONGED PERIODS OF STRESS OR DEEP PSYCHOLOGICAL PAIN.
PSYCHOLOGICAL DAMAGE CAN'T BE REPRESSED FOREVER— AND IT MANIFIESTS THROUGH THE METEOR—

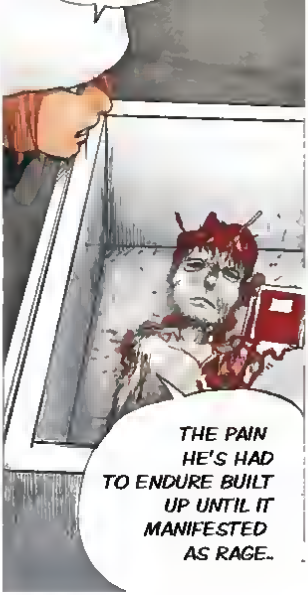
...IN THE FORM OF RAGE AND FURY... AS IN EHAN AND THE LAB MONKEY.

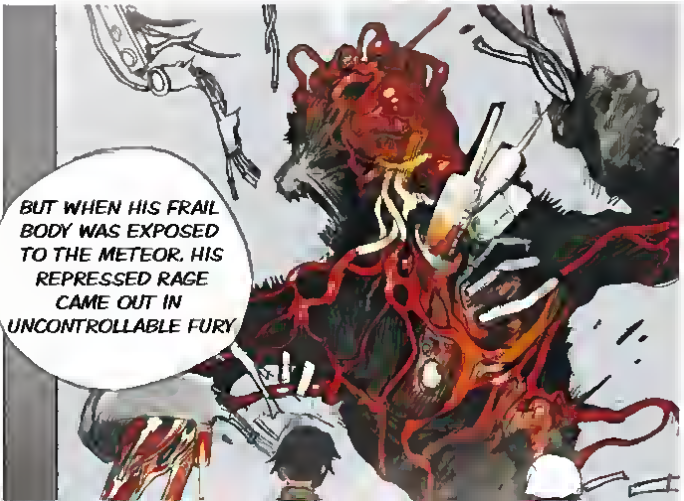



RAGE...

IN THESE CASES, THE REPRESSED PSYCHOLOGICAL SCARS SUDDENLY EXPLODE IN VERY DANGEROUS AND VIOLENT WAYS.


THIS MONKEY HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO COUNTLESS LAB EXPERIMENTS SINCE BIRTH.

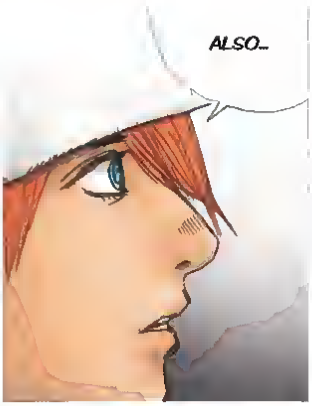

THE PAIN HE'S HAD TO ENDURE BUILT UP UNTIL IT MANIFESTED AS RAGE.


BUT WHEN HIS FRAIL BODY WAS EXPOSED TO THE METEOR, HIS REPRESSED RAGE CAME OUT IN UNCONTROLLABLE FURY

EHAN, I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU'VE HAD TO REPRESS SUCH FURY AT YOUR AGE.

BUT WHEN YOU'RE TRANSFORMED BY THE METEOR,
YOU'RE NOT A MONSTER

YOU'RE SIMPLY THE MANIFESTATION OF YOUR REPRESSED AND WOUNDED SELF


ALSO...

RAGE IS LIKE A LITTLE SPARK THAT SUDDENLY IGNITES IN THE MIND.

BUT THAT RAGE WILL DO NOTHING TO HEAL
IF THAT

THE WOUNDS IN YOUR HEART.
IT JUST GROWS AND GROWS INTO A ROARING FIRE.

AND IF RAGE TAKES COMPLETE CONTROL OVER YOU.
LIKE THIS MONKEY. YOU MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO RETURN TO YOUR FORMER SELF.

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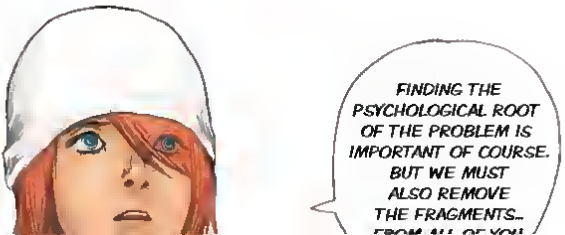
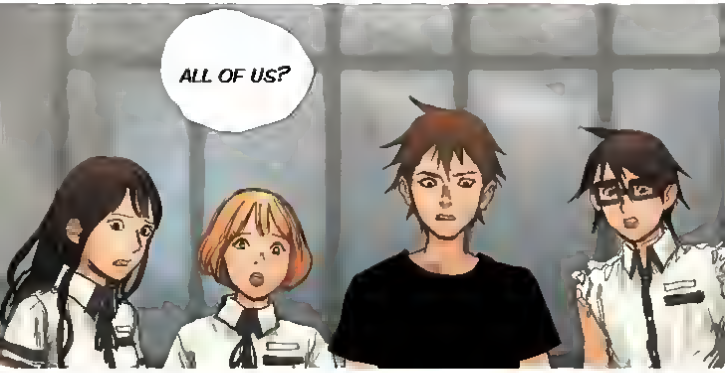
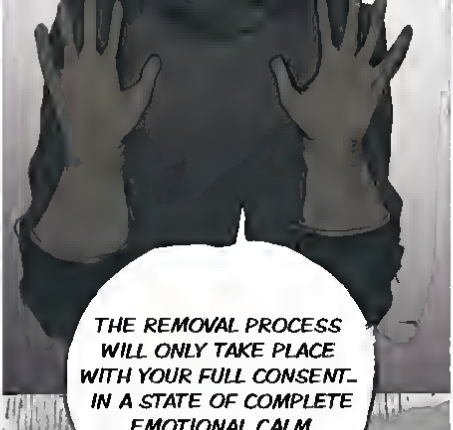
THEN WHAT DO WE HAVE TO DO?


FINDING THE PSYCHOLOGICAL ROOT OF THE PROBLEM IS IMPORTANT OF COURSE. BUT WE MUST ALSO REMOVE THE FRAGMENTS...

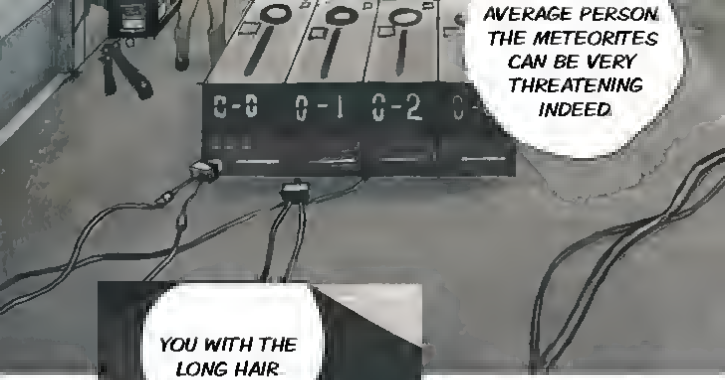
FROM ALL OF YOU.


ALL OF US?

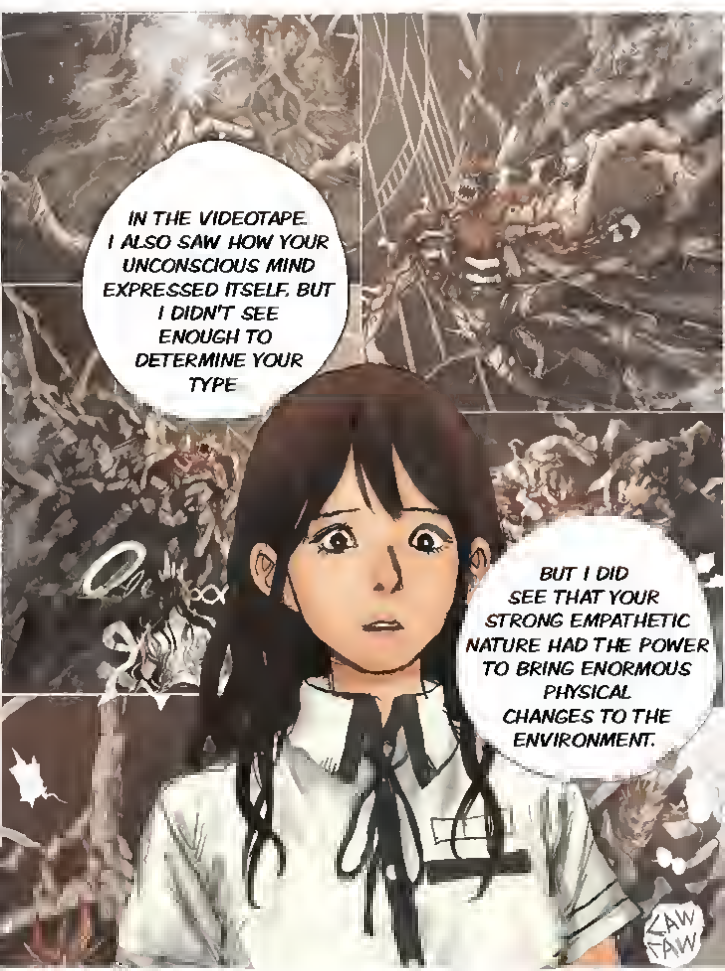
OH, DON'T WORRY.
WE WON'T FORCIBLY
REMOVE THEM
FROM YOU.


THE REMOVAL PROCESS WILL ONLY TAKE PLACE WITH YOUR FULL CONSENT... IN A STATE OF COMPLETE EMOTIONAL CALM.

RIGHT NOW, THERE'S A LOT OF CONTROVERSY REGARDING THE METEORITES. OF COURSE, NONE OF THIS IS YOUR FAULT.
BUT TO THE


AVERAGE PERSON. THE METEORITES CAN BE VERY THREATENING INDEED.

YOU WITH THE LONG HAIR.
WHO, ME?


IN THE VIDEOTAPE. I ALSO SAW HOW YOUR UNCONSCIOUS MIND EXPRESSED ITSELF. BUT I DIDN'T SEE ENOUGH TO DETERMINE YOUR TYPE
BUT I DID SEE THAT YOUR STRONG EMPATHETIC NATURE HAD THE POWER TO BRING ENORMOUS PHYSICAL CHANGES TO THE ENVIRONMENT.
SAW SAW

EHAN FORTUNATELY HAD THE METEOR SHARD IN HIS BODY AND RECOVERED RIGHT AWAY.
BUT WHAT IF AN ORDINARY PERSON HAD BEEN IN HIS PLACE?

UH… I…

A FAR GREATER CATASTROPHE COULD HAVE HAPPENED – MORE DISASTROUS THAN WHAT HAPPENED AT SCHOOL TODAY.
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WE UNDERSTAND THE DANGERS INVOLVED
BUT WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO US ONCE THE FRAGMENTS ARE REMOVED?

DON'T WORRY. I ALSO HAD A FRAGMENT REMOVED... AND I'M DOING ALRIGHT.
SLIP
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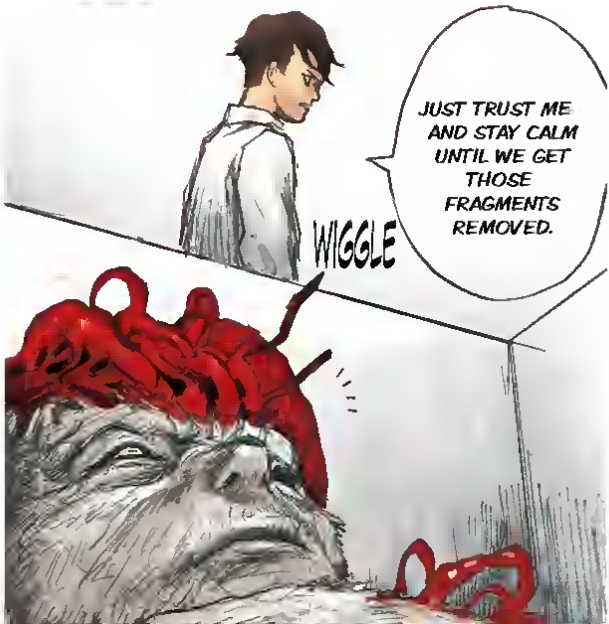
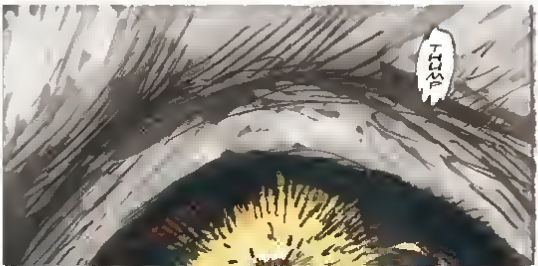
WHAT DO WE DO?
I THINK HE'S TELLING US THE TRUTH.


JUST TRUST ME AND STAY CALM UNTIL WE GET THOSE FRAGMENTS REMOVED.
WIGGLE

WIGGLE

THROB

COME ON.
LET'S GET OUT OF
HERE.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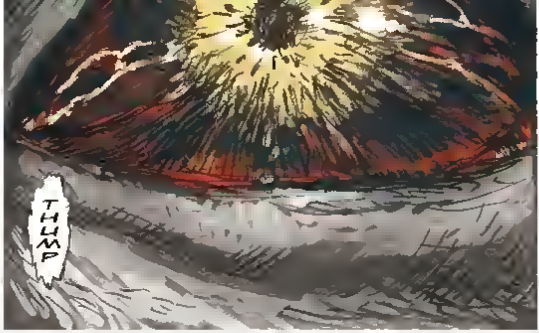
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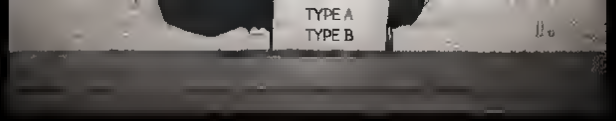
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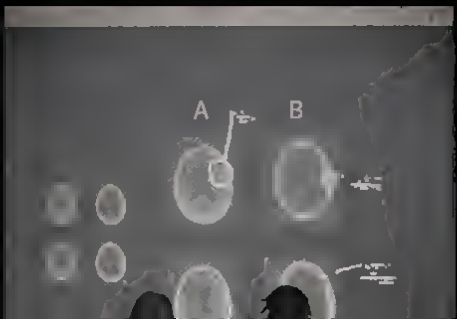
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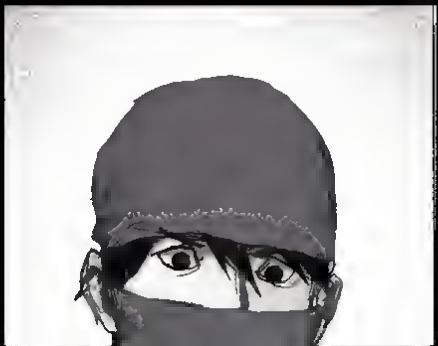

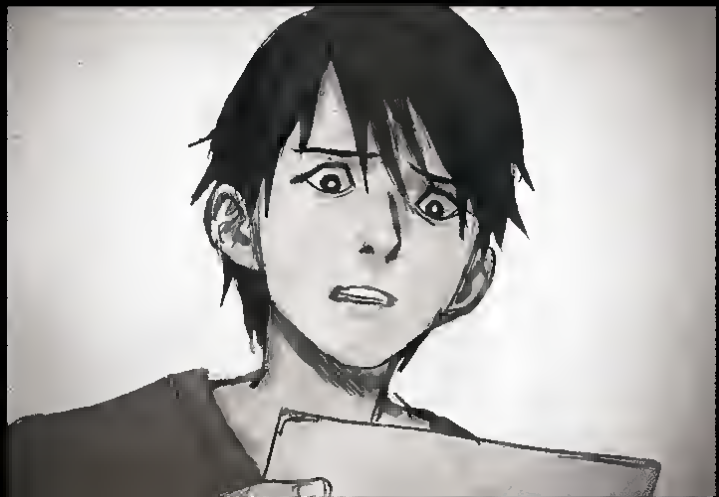

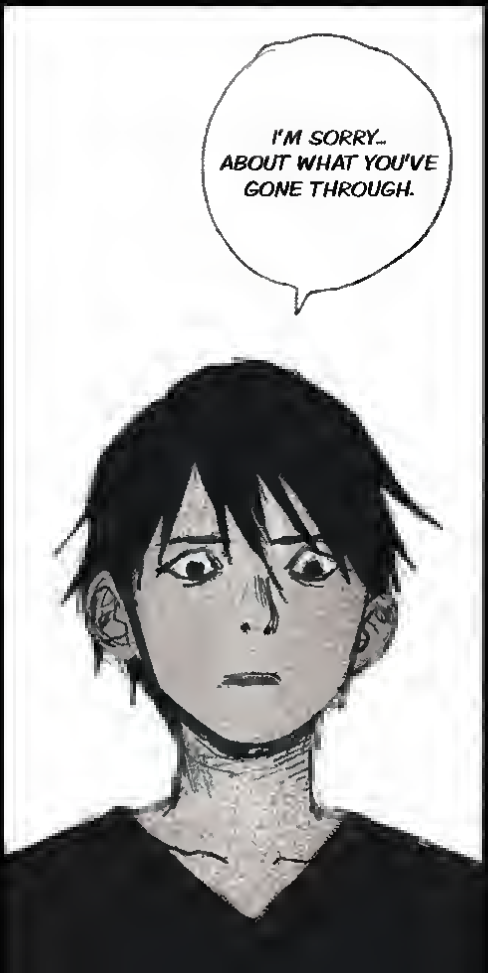
I'M SORRY...
ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE
GONE THROUGH.

TAP
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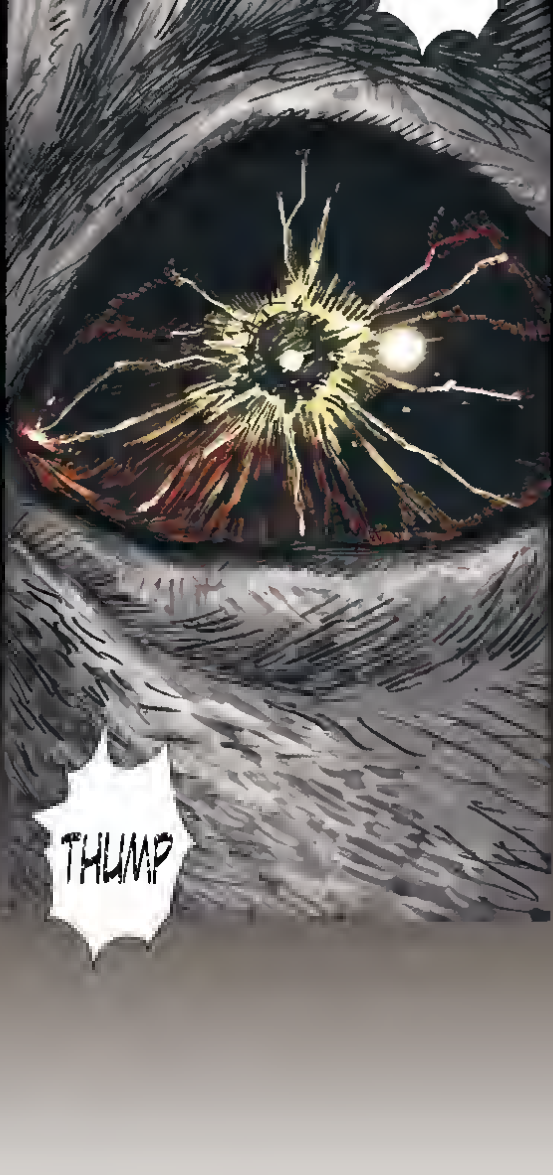
TAP

THUMP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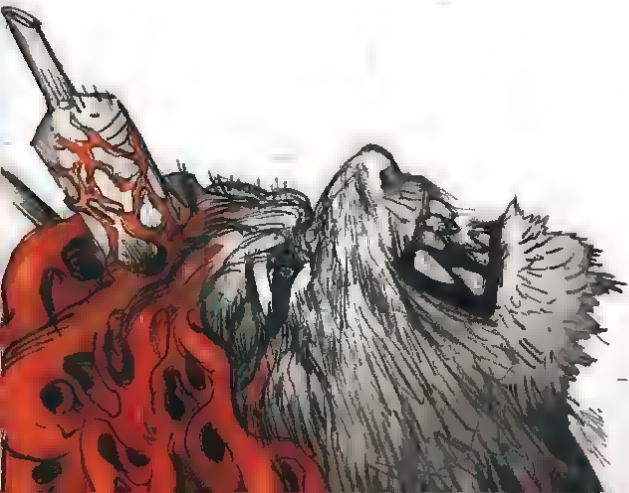

OOH
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AH
AH!!
GRAAAK!
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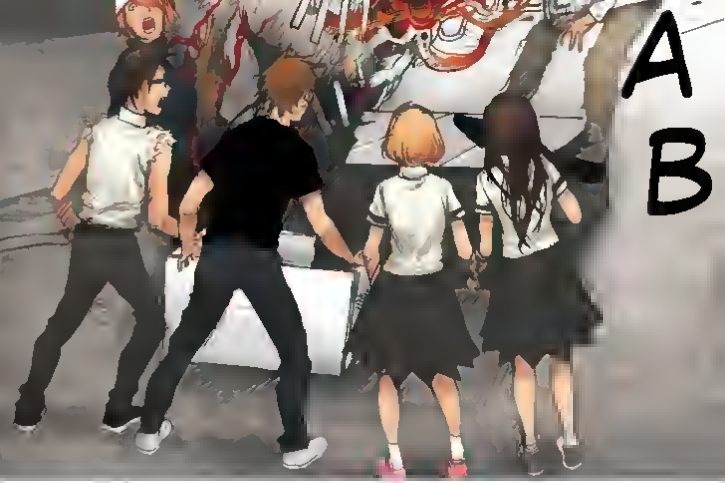
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